

InMotion June 2012



Happy Summer! There are flowers blooming all over town, sometimes the sun even shines, and the temperatures are warming up so get out there and enjoy it. Take a hike, a bike ride or even just walk to the corner store for a gallon of milk.

A great goal for this summer could be to replace one car trip a week with walking, biking or taking the bus! Go for it!

See the final Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan at: www.eugenepedbikeplan.org

InMotion is a monthly e-newsletter produced to help communicate with Eugene's biking and walking enthusiasts. Each month you will find information about upcoming local events and advocacy opportunities that pertain to all forms of active transportation. Please feel free to forward this great community resource to anyone you think might enjoy it.

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MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT

City of Eugene Kicks off Summer with Breakfast at the Bridges – June 29

When: Friday, June 29, 2012, 7 AM – 9:30 AM reoccurring event: every last Friday of the month through September

Where: 6/29/12 – 24th Avenue and the Amazon Path (near the softball fields)

Commuters traveling on the Amazon Path will be treated with a FREE breakfast of bagels & coffee, FREE bike bells, FREE bike safety checks provided by Arriving by Bike, bike registration and bike resources from the City of Eugene. Commuters can get all this just off of the Amazon Path north of 24th Avenue.

Breakfast at the Bridges is designed for path users and commuters to grab a quick bite to eat and a cup of coffee, meet City staff, learn more about transportation in Eugene, and get a bicycle safety check all at the same time.

This signature summer event series celebrates the outdoors and encourages active transportation – especially walking and bicycling – to meet larger City goals, including: healthy living, sustainability and a vibrant business community. Breakfast at the Bridges features local advocacy organizations and local businesses who actively work toward these City goals. The event series is held the last Friday of every month, May – September.

Sponsored by: Full City Coffee, Toby's Foods, Arriving by Bike & City of Eugene

For more information, contact Lindsay Selser: 682-5094 or lindsay.r.selser@ci.eugene.or.us

Breakfast at the Bridges will be held the last Friday of every month through September:

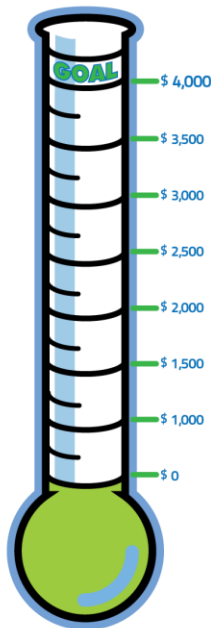
June 29 – 24th Ave and Amazon Path

July 27 – Greenway Bridge

August 31 – DeFazio Bridge

September 28 – Frohnmayer Bridge (Formerly known as Autzen Footbridge)

City of Eugene Launches Fundraising Campaign for Sunday Streets



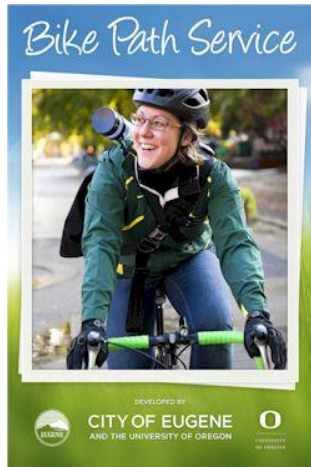
The City has launched a fundraising campaign to support the 2012 Eugene Sunday Streets event. The goal is to raise **\$4,000** from individual/household donations. That would equal one dollar for every expected attendee of the 2012 event. We have raised over \$10,000 from local community partners so far this year and need your help to meet our overall goal.

A kick-off for the fundraising campaign will be held at the monthly [Breakfast at the Bike Bridges](#) on Friday, June 29, 2012 at 24th & Amazon.

To remain successful and sustainable for years to come, Eugene Sunday Streets needs the support of the community. To donate to Eugene Sunday Streets please go to www.eugenesundaystreets.org or contact the City of Eugene Transportation Planning Office at (541)682-5094 or SundayStreets@ci.eugene.or.us.

If you donate \$50 or more, you'll receive a vintage 2011 Eugene Sunday Streets volunteer t-shirt (limited availability) or a bike map bandana! Business sponsorship opportunities are also available. Contributions are tax deductible.

iBike Eugene – New Mobile App to Report Issues on the Bike System



A new mobile application developed jointly by the City of Eugene and the University of Oregon (UO) will allow local cyclists to directly notify Public Works staff of maintenance-related issues on the bike path system.

Direct routing makes it quicker and easier for users to notify Public Works of potential maintenance needs and increases the efficiency and effectiveness for Public Works to respond to service requests.

Click [HERE](#) to obtain more information.

FEATURED NEWS

Volunteers Needed to support Middle School Bike Education – June 8 & 20

Meadow View School (1855 Legacy St.) in the Bethel School District will be finishing up their Bicycle Safety Education with community rides on Friday, June 8th. Three different classes will be going on rides. Join us for one--or all three! We would love to have community members riding along!

- 9:00 -10:00 AM
- 10:00 -11:00 AM
- 11:00 AM -12:00 PM

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

We also have a volunteer opportunity for Mechanic Work for our Safe Routes to School bike fleet on June 20th (8-Noon at the UO OP Barn):

<http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/712345634690564053>

Comment on proposed Transportation Goals, Projects

Eugene's Transportation System Plan will define how the local transportation system should change to meet the needs of Eugene's residents, businesses, and visitors now and to the year 2035. The Transportation System Plan uses the Eugene Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan as the basis for its recommendations for pedestrian and bicycle improvements.

Watch a video overview of the Transportation Plan as presented to the City Council on April 18th here: <http://ceapps.eugene-or.gov/CEWEBCAST/WEBCAST/Play.aspx?mid=624>

For more information about the project visit the project website at www.EugeneTSP.org or contact Kurt Yeiter, City of Eugene at 541-682-8379, or email Kurt.M.Yeiter@ci.eugene.or.us.

GET INVOLVED – Public Involvement Opportunities

Eugene Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee – June 14

Thursday, June 14, 2012, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Sloat Conference Room (Enter from the back alley off 10th Ave.),
Atrium Building, 99 W. 10th, Eugene, OR 97401

Eugene's Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) advises the City of Eugene Transportation Planning staff and community organizations and partners on implementation of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Strategic Plan, represents community and constituent interests in transportation planning decisions, and provides feedback to staff on projects relating to walking and bicycling. Guests and members of the public are always welcome to attend.

All BPAC meetings are open to the public; guests will be provided with opportunities to speak at the beginning of each meeting. The staff liaison to the BPAC is Lee Shoemaker, Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator at (541) 682-5471.

Agenda Items:

- Wheel chair ramp design
- 2013 Path Bond Update
- Willamette Street Citizen Bike Lane Committee
- ODOT Bicycle/Pedestrian-Transportation Enhancement Grant Application Project Updates

Willamalane 20 Year Plan – Open House – June 14

Thursday, June 14, 4-7 p.m.
Willamalane Center, 250 S. 32nd St.

Willamalane is updating its 20-year plan for parks and recreation in Springfield. Stop by, give us your ideas and help us prioritize future improvements.

Plus fun for the whole family:

- Free use of Willamalane Center, 4-7 p.m. Includes basketball, table tennis, indoor playground, bouldering wall, Fitness Center and more
- Free ice cream from Red Wagon Creamery for the first 100 guests to complete a brief questionnaire
- Special appearance by Springs the Squirrel!

Learn more about the 20-Year Plan update

Questions? Contact rebeccag@willamalane.org. 541-736-4444 • willamalane.org

AREA EVENTS

GEARs Bike Safety Class Schedule - 2012

The purpose of these classes is to provide an opportunity for people at all levels to learn more about bicycling - the laws that govern us in Oregon, the kinds of crashes that are the most common and how to avoid them, and ways to apply the principle "Bicyclists fare best when we act and are treated as drivers of vehicles."

VIEW CLASS SCHEDULE HERE: <http://edu.eugenegears.org/classes>

Confident Cycling for Families Class – June 9

Saturday, June 9, 9am-Noon;

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Class attendees will not only learn about basic traffic skills but also learn how to perform a bicycle safety check, how to properly fit a helmet, how to size a bicycle for a child, and how to properly carry things on a bicycle. Information will also be provided about gear and clothing, proper lighting, use of lights, and locking a bike. Half the course will be conducted indoors and the last portion will be held in the parking lot with skills & drills before a final ride on neighborhood streets.

This class is made for parents AND kids so all participants are asked to bring a bicycle and a helmet with them to class. Some reduced cost helmets will be available. Anyone requiring a loaner bicycle for the class is asked to state that in the comments section of the registration form. This class is geared towards children ages 5 – 13 and is free and open to all families but [registration is required](#).

Location: McCornack Elementary School

Contact: Shane MacRhodes rhodes_sh@4j.lane.edu 541-556-3553

EyeCycle: Tandem Biking for Visually Impaired – June 9 & 23

The City of Eugene Adaptive Recreation program invites people who have limited or no vision to enjoy the simple pleasures of recreational cycling through EyeCycle Tandem Biking. Two-hour group rides leave Hilyard Community Center, 2580 Hilyard St., at 10 a.m. on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month, June-September (6/9 & 23; 7/14 & 28; 8/11 & 25; 9/8 & 22). The cost is \$5 per ride. Community volunteers (pilots) are needed, especially those with tandem bikes.

Register online at www.eugene-or.gov/recenroll. For more information call 541-682-5311.

Adapted Bikes for Rent

The City of Eugene has a variety of adaptive bicycles available for rent at Hilyard Community Center, 2580 Hilyard St. Bikes include recumbent trikes, side-by-side trikes, tandems, handcycles and more. Bikes are available for hourly, daily and weekly rentals. For an appointment to discuss the right rental for you, call 541-682-5311, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Kids' Mountain Bike Oakridge – June 10 & September 23

9AM - 3PM - Greenwaters Park, Oakridge

Anyone from last year's Kids' Mountain Bike Day knows what a great time it was. And this year we're doing it twice. It is not your typical 1 day bike trip. We'll be hitting at least 5 different trails at all skill levels. Guided rides, skills clinics, shuttles, races, food, hikes, nature outings and trail building will all be a part of this day of youth centric mountain biking.

Bicycles and transportation provided by [Trips for Kids-CAT](#) and [Oregon Adventures](#).

****And it's free!****

Space is limited, so [register](#) now! All participants (youth and adult), volunteers, and guides must register. [Waiver form](#) must be filled out and signed by parent/guardian for anyone under 18.

Kids MTB Oakridge is a [G.O.A.T.S](#) event in partnership with [Trips for Kids-CAT](#).

SmartTrips Gateway: Bike Maintenance and Confident Cycling Class – June 6 & 16

[SmartTrips Gateway](#) officially launched the residential portion of our program in Springfield on May 1, and staff is delivering travel tools to households that ordered additional information. SmartTrips is a proven method of using tools and incentives to encourage people to try new ways of making trips. This program assists households within a quarter mile of the EmX transit line in Springfield.

SmartTrips is organizing two **free events** this month that are open to anyone interested. The first event is a bike maintenance class on Wednesday, June 6, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The second event is a Confident Cycling Class on Saturday, June 16, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Both events will be held at the [Eugene, Cascades & Coast Adventure Center](#), 3312 Gateway Street in Springfield. For more information please click [here](#).

MSA Youth Triathlon-Why Not Tri – June 10

[The Multisport Advantage](#) is hosting the "Why Not Tri" youth triathlon on June 10th to encourage youth participation and achievement while promoting a healthy lifestyle through the sport of triathlon. Participants are encouraged to donate to the [Lane Coalition for Healthy Active Youth \(LCHAY\)](#) on their [registration form](#).

The race will take place at Amazon park and pool and have three different age categories and distances for athletes ages 6-16. Please spread the word about this fun event and opportunity to raise funds for obesity prevention!

To sign your child up for the youth triathlon, click [here](#). *And, for ages 6-8, we will be allowing kick boards or other flotation devices during the swim.*

So, sign up now, have some fun, and help the non-profit LCHAY with its triathlon of improved nutrition, more physical activity, and reduced screen time for Lane County kids!

Adapted Bike Riding for Ages 16 & up – Tuesdays June 12 – July 31

The City of Eugene invites individuals with disabilities to learn bicycle safety skills while riding on local bike routes. Rides are 11 a.m.-3 p.m., every Tuesday, June 12-July 31 (June 12, 19, & 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31). The cost is \$15 per ride and pre-registration is required. All rides begin at Hilyard Community Center, 2850 Hilyard St. This activity is designed for people with disabilities.

Rides are on a new route each week. Bring your own bike or some are available for use. Bring a sack lunch for each day. Volunteers are needed to ride along.

Register online at www.eugene-or.gov/recenroll. For more information call 541-682-5311.

WREN Wetland Wander at Checkermallow Access Tuesday, June 12th 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

WREN Wetland Wanders are casual walks through various West Eugene Wetlands sites each 2nd Tuesday of every month. Checkermallow Access is yet another piece of the interconnected 3,000 acre puzzle of wetlands in West Eugene. Owned and managed by the City of Eugene, this area provides homes for abundant wildlife and plants. This Wetland Wander will be led by WREN staff and volunteers.

Participants are asked to meet at the turnout located on the south side of Royal Avenue, approximately ¼ mile east of the intersection of Royal Ave. and Greenhill Road. WREN will provide binoculars. For more information, visit our website at <http://www.wewetlands.org>, call 541.338.7047 or email info@wewetlands.org FREE!

Kidical Mass – Family Bike Camping – June 16-17



June 16-17 Ride: Family Bike Camping - July Ride....it's up to you!

We're already up to 18 families for the second annual Kidical Mass Great American Backyard Campout Ride...or just Kidical Camping, or maybe Family Bike Camping Trip, oh heck; The Weekend of Fun!

There's still room for more- we've reserved both group campsites at Armitage! Register now at kidicalmass.org/camping

Highlights for the weekend:

Meet at Monroe Park, June 16th, 10am

- Ride through town
- Possible stop (maybe with lunch break) at Cal Young Middle School
- Arrive out at Armitage & set up camp

Playtime:

- Play down by the river
- Explore Armitage
- Ride the Mtn. Bike Skills Course thanks to Trips for Kids-CAT
- Bike Bowling
- Other Games

Potluck dinner

Campfire

Sleeping under the stars

A Father's Day pancake breakfast

More playtime

Pack up & ride home

We're excited to have Trips for Kids-CAT and REI supporting us and joining in on the fun over the weekend too!

Once you're registered we'll send you the link to the Potluck & Gear document plus more details about the weekend.

So what are you waiting for? Register now.

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**Also of note:** The July Ride is still open for ideas! We thought we might do something big with the Em's but it didn't pan out so we're throwing it open to other options. We could still go to the ballgame (with less financial support than years past) or do something completely different. Have an idea? Want to vote on some ideas? Want to lead? **Fill out our SUPER QUICK SURVEY**.



Dump the Pump. Save Money! Win Prizes! – June 18-22

The seventh annual ***Dump the Pump Day*** is Thursday, June 21, 2012. The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) sponsors ***National Dump the Pump Day*** to raise awareness of the financial and environmental benefits of choosing a commute option other than driving alone.

Nationally, ***Dump the Pump Day*** emphasizes that public transportation is a great travel choice. Locally, *Point2point at Lane Transit District* and *Drive Less Connect* are promoting a whole range of commute choices in addition to taking transit.

To commemorate the seventh annual ***National Dump the Pump Day*** (Thursday, June 21), *Point2point at Lane Transit District* will be awarding prizes to several lucky winners who log their non-drive-alone trips during the week of June 18 – June 22!

To be eligible for the prize drawings, simply register at [www.DriveLessConnect.com](http://www.DriveLessConnect.com) and calendar at least one bus, bike, walk, carpool, vanpool, or telework trip during the week of June 18 – June 22.

Prizes include Dutch Bros Coffee Free Drink Cards, Free LTD Transit Passes, and gift certificates to Unique Eugene and Arriving by Bike.

Join other commuters by leaving your car at home June 18 – June 22 and Dump the Pump! Sign up now at [www.DriveLessConnect.com](http://www.DriveLessConnect.com). Save Money! Win Prizes!

For more information, contact Tracy Ellis at 541-682-6183 or by email at [Tracy.Ellis@ltd.org](mailto:Tracy.Ellis@ltd.org).

Rock Climbing: Community Climb Time at the Columns – June 23 & 30

Join the City of Eugene's River House Outdoor Program and Willamalane Recreation for a day of rock climbing instruction. Fine tune your climbing skills on Eugene's local basalt columns in Skinner Butte Park, 2nd & Lincoln. Everyone is welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. Equipment is provided. Drop-in only. The cost is \$10; pay on site.

Climbs on from 9-11 a.m. on June 23 & 30; July 21 & 28; and August 18 & 25.

For more information call 541-682-5329.

## City Offers Paralympic Experience – June 30

A new City of Eugene program will introduce people with physical disabilities to Paralympic sports. Open to participants age six and older, Paralympic Experience will include hands-on participation in wheelchair basketball, tennis, fencing, and goal ball as well as interaction with Paralympic athletes and coaches. It will be held from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday, June 30, at Churchill High School, 1850 Bailey Hill Rd.

The event will include an educational session on Paralympic sports for parents, teachers, coaches, program leaders, and rehabilitation specialists. Lunch provided for those registered. Paralympic Experience is free, but pre-registration is required.

Register online at [www.eugene-or.gov/receenroll](http://www.eugene-or.gov/receenroll) and use barcode: #99219. For more information call 541-682-5311.

## Upcoming First Saturday Park Walks!! 9a.m.-11 a.m.

Explore the ecology and management of Eugene's beautiful parks. Naturalist from the Outdoor Program at the River House will lead these FREE interpretive walks.

For more information call: Phone: 541-682-5329

July 7, Hendricks Park  
Meet at picnic shelter.

Aug 4, Fern Ridge  
Meet at the end of Royal Ave. near West. 11th

Sept 1, Ridgeline Trail  
Meet at the Willamette Trailhead at Willamette St. & 52nd Ave.

## First Friday Outdoor Baby Walk and Talk – 9 AM – 10AM

Discover natural locations to take your baby for walks around Eugene while socializing with others and enjoying the great outdoors. Walk are on paved paths and will happen rain or shine. You may want to bring a stroller or other baby carrier. Free and no registration necessary. For more information, contact the City of Eugene River House Outdoor Program 541-682-5329.

- [July 6 – Owen Rose Garden](#)

## Cycling for Veterans – Wednesdays

Join other vets on weekly bike rides after work, 5:30pm – 7:30pm. Get ready for the VA MOVE ride in Roseburg, a 15 mile ride for disabled vets. Or set your goal for the Solder Ride in September in Seattle. Meet at Alton Baker Park near shelter #1.

Wednesdays 5:30-7:30pm  
April 25, 2012 – September 5, 2012

For more information contact Patty Prather at 541-682-5311

### Bike Riding for Fun & Fitness - FREE! - Wednesdays

The City of Eugene invites senior bike riders for weekly in-town rides that depart from Campbell Community Center, 155 High St., every Wednesday, June 6-August 29, at 9:30 a.m., rain or shine. No ride July 4.

Rides vary in length and time depending on ability. Helmets required; weekly attendance is not.

For more information call 541-682-5311.

### Walking Groups

Self-led groups walk 9-11 a.m. on Fridays from Campbell Center, 155 High St., and 9:30-10:30 a.m. on Thursdays from Petersen Barn Center, 870 Berntzen Rd. The Campbell group typically does 3-5 miles at a brisk pace and may stop for coffee along the way. Both are drop in, no registration, and free. No walks when centers are closed. Call 541-682-5318 for information.

## **CONSTRUCTION UPDATES**

### Fern Ridge Path Repairs (Chambers to Garfield streets)

The Fern Ridge Path between Chambers and Garfield streets will be closed beginning Monday, June 4, for about a month to allow repairs to the bank of Amazon Creek and the realignment and reconstruction of the multi-use path next to the creek. The first phase of the project includes building a retaining wall along the path at the west end of the project under the Garfield Bridge. Once that work is completed, crews from Wildish Construction will relocate the path so it is not as close to the creek. The completed ¼-mile-long path will be 12 feet wide, with a concrete surface and lighting. During construction, cyclists and pedestrians will be detoured to use 14th and 15th avenues as an alternate route. The detour includes an enhanced crossing with flashing beacons on Chambers Street at 15th Avenue.

Work currently is scheduled to be completed by the end of July. Funding for the \$350,000 project is coming from federal "Rapid-Readiness" and STP-U grants, with a local match from transportation SDCs.



### Road Construction Traffic Advisories

- Check the [PW Projects](#) site for the latest information on road work in the Eugene area.
- Go to [www.keepusmoving.info](http://www.keepusmoving.info) for regional project reports, including City of Eugene, ODOT and other agencies
- For the most current updates, go to [www.twitter.com/EugenePW](https://twitter.com/EugenePW)



### How to Report Maintenance Issues for City Facilities

Glass on the path, leaves in the bike lane, or bushes overhanging the sidewalk? Report it to the City of Eugene!

Here are three options for reporting maintenance issues in bike lanes, on multi-use paths, sidewalks. You can use the first two to report any other issues in city right of way or parks:

1. Call 541-682-4800 during business hours.
2. Send an email to: [pwmaintenance@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:pwmaintenance@ci.eugene.or.us)
3. Go to the City website and report on the [Maintenance page](#).

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### **CITY RESOURCES**

### Report a Pothole Program

It's easy to report a pothole to the Eugene Public Works Maintenance Division! There is even a handy online pothole reporting form available at [www.eugene-or.gov/pothole](http://www.eugene-or.gov/pothole)! The form will ask for some brief information about the pothole, including its location (if on the path, try to give as much location info as possible). There's also a place for you to provide your contact information. If you would prefer, you can call Public Works Maintenance at 541-682-4800 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and file the report over the phone.

If you'd like to follow up with the City after making a pothole request, just send an email to [pwmaintenance@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:pwmaintenance@ci.eugene.or.us) with the word "pothole" in the subject line.

(Please remember that Eugene Public Works only repairs potholes on streets/paths in the city of Eugene. We will make a field inspection of every reported pothole within two business days. In many cases we will immediately fill the pothole; however, in some cases we may choose to wait to schedule an alternate treatment such as maintenance overlay. FMI: go to [www.eugene-or.gov/pothole](http://www.eugene-or.gov/pothole))

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### **COMMUNITY RESOURCES**

#### Water Bottles to Benefit the Jane Higdon Foundation

Honorary water bottles are being sold, with all proceeds going to help support the Jane Higdon Memorial Fund. The water bottles are \$5.00 and being sold at Newman's Fish Co. at 1545 Willamette Street, Eugene. Jane was an avid cyclist. She wanted to make a difference in the world and focused on ways to make her life more meaningful. She was tragically killed in 2006, when she was struck by a truck while on a bicycle training ride on a beautiful Oregon rural road.

The Memorial Fund supports scholarships and grants to encourage girls and young women to pursue healthy, active lifestyles and academic excellence. The Memorial Fund also makes donations to non-profits that advocate and work for bicycling and pedestrian safety in Oregon. Additional information can be found at: [www.janehigdonfoundation.com](http://www.janehigdonfoundation.com)

Don't Forget to Purchase Your "Share the Road" License Plates



Oregon residents can help support cycling throughout Oregon by purchasing "Share the Road" license plates from the Oregon State Department of Motor Vehicles. Proceeds go to the [Bicycle Transportation Alliance](#) and [Cycle Oregon](#) to help fund bicycle education and advocacy.

<http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/vehicle/platenonprof.shtml#share>

### GOVERNMENT

[Point2Point Solutions](#) promotes and offers transportation options programs to the Lane County region's businesses, organizations, and educational institutions for their employees, staff and



students. It is supported by Lane County's jurisdictions and is housed at Lane Transit District. <http://www.ltd.org/cs/csindex.html>

[www.eugene-or.gov/bicycles](http://www.eugene-or.gov/bicycles) the City of Eugene website contains bike maps and resources for biking in Eugene.

[www.keepusmoving.info](http://www.keepusmoving.info) This site is user friendly and contains regional information about the transportation planning process, current projects, and information about transportation options. The site is maintained by the Lane Council of Governments.

The [Oregon Department of Transportation](http://www.oregon.gov/odot/) (ODOT) website includes links to the [Oregon Bicycle Manual](#) and information on laws and regulations and a list of [bike travel web resources](#).

Smart Ways to School ([www.swts.ltd.org](http://www.swts.ltd.org)) offers free services to parents of K-12 students to help them walk, bike, carpool, or ride LTD to school. We offer a SchoolPool, a free carpool-match service. We can help parents find other students to form a walking or bicycling "school bus." Smart Ways to School also manages the free LTD pass program for students in grades 6-12. Call 682-6212.

UO Bike Program now offers bicycle maintenance classes every term. Call 541-346-4365 or come into the [Outdoor Program](#) office in the basement of the EMU to register.

The [U of O Department of Public Safety](#) strongly encourages bicycling as a way of responsible transportation. With Oregon weather, bicycling in winter months can be discouraging and challenging for those that may not have the proper riding gear. You'll find information in this site about the availability of covered parking, safety recommendations, and a listing of local shops where you may purchase adequate gear for the conditions.

The [Eugene Transportation System Plan website](#) has been updated to include survey questions. A webcast of the transportation plan overview given to the City Council on April 18<sup>th</sup> is available [here](#). An overview will also be given to the Planning Commission at their May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, beginning at 11:30AM in the McNutt Room at City Hall.

[Lane Council of Governments](#) is the Central Lane Metropolitan Planning Organization, the lead agency for regional transportation planning and distributing federal transportation dollars for the central Lane County area. It serves as a forum for cooperative transportation decision making within the region. The website has information about opportunities for public comment, news and events, meetings, and transportation plans and programs. <http://www.thempo.org/>

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#### COMMUNITY PARTNERS:

The Bicycle [Transportation Alliance \(BTA\)](#) is a statewide organization that works to promote bicycle use and safety and to improve bicycling conditions throughout the state of Oregon. In the Eugene/Springfield area, the BTA's Bicycle Safety program brings safety education to middle schools every year. For more information, go to [www.bta4bikes.org](http://www.bta4bikes.org).

[BikeLane Coalition](#) is a local non-profit organization that promotes safe cycling in Lane County. Membership opportunities include the Corporate Membership option: web page for the company, commuting assistance and route planning; and the Premium Membership option that

includes membership in the League of American Bicyclists, The League Magazine, Bicycle Magazine, Roadside assistance and the usual benefits of membership such as discounts at participating bike shops. A discount is offered for those already members of other local cycling organizations. For more information go to [www.bikelanecoalition.org](http://www.bikelanecoalition.org)

[Center for Appropriate Transport \(CAT\)](http://www.catoregon.org) is a non-profit organization committed to community involvement in manufacturing, using, and advocating sustainable modes of transportation. The first organization of its kind, the Center was founded in Eugene, Oregon in the fall of 1992. Since that time the CAT has established a number of projects under one roof designed to further this mission including Pedalers Express delivery service, education and youth programs, Eugene Bicycle Works community bike shop, and more. CAT has also established an apprenticeship program that focuses on cargo bike frame building. For more information, go to [www.catoregon.org](http://www.catoregon.org)

[Eugene-Springfield Mossback Volkssport Club](http://www.mossbacks.org) - Volkssports, literally "popular" or "folk" sports, are organized walking, swimming, bicycling, roller skating, and cross-country skiing events providing exercise that contributes to physical fitness. The Mossback Club usually meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Willamalane Senior Adult Activity Center, 215 West C Street, Springfield. Please call 726-7169 or 747-6470, to verify meeting location. Club events are listed and described at their website, [www.mossbacks.org](http://www.mossbacks.org). For more information contact Carmella at [mossbackclub@comcast.net](mailto:mossbackclub@comcast.net).

[GEARS \(Greater Eugene Area Riders\)](http://www.eugenegears.org/) invites the community to join club members on [several weekly bike rides](#). Rides vary in location, distance, and terrain. The main purpose of GEARS is to foster bike riding. All cyclists must wear an ANSI or SNEL/ASTM approved helmet. Riders should also carry a water bottle, tire pump, spare tube and patch kit.

Everyone is welcome to attend Eugene GEARS Board Meetings. For more information or times and location go to [www.eugenegears.org/](http://www.eugenegears.org/)

The Eugene Safe Routes to School Program is a community approach to encourage and enable more people to walk and bike to school safely. We support schools and families in their efforts to increase active transportation choices by supporting individual SRTS committees, growing bicycle and pedestrian education for adults and children, and working to establish policies that encourage healthy, fun, and safe transportation choices.

For more information contact Shane Rhodes at [rhodes\\_sh@4j.lane.edu](mailto:rhodes_sh@4j.lane.edu) or 541-556-3553

Nordic Walkers: For more information on Nordic Walking classes and lesson costs contact Barbara or Dan Gleason: 345-0450 or 345-3974 or email them at [nordicwalkerbg@comcast.net](mailto:nordicwalkerbg@comcast.net)

#### COMMUNITY BIKE BLOGS

[www.eugenecycles.com](http://www.eugenecycles.com)

[www.webikeeeugene.org](http://www.webikeeeugene.org)

[www.eugenebicyclist.com](http://www.eugenebicyclist.com)

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Walk a Smile In: Step up, step out, step forward! Avid longtime walker/retired nurse walks one-on-one with clients to support improving personal and planetary fitness. Call or email for details,



charges, appointment. Gift certificates available. Call or email Jenny at 541-343-6049, [walkasmilein@gmail.com](mailto:walkasmilein@gmail.com).

The [Eugene Running Company](http://www.eugenerunningcompany.com) offers a diverse series of walking and running groups for people of all levels from beginner to the hard-core. All groups and training are lead in a fun and supportive atmosphere. For more information on dates and times go to [www.eugenerunningcompany.com](http://www.eugenerunningcompany.com)

Second Summer Tours is a group led by Rob Templin, a local rider in Eugene. Join Rob and friends as he shares some of the 'secret' paths that will challenge you with tough climbs but reward you with deserted, traffic-free riding; and scenery to take your breath away. Tours are based out of Eugene. For more information go to: <http://www.secondsummertours.com/oregon.php>

Spirited Walkers Group Joining the Spirited Walkers marathon training group is a wonderful way to start the new year by making commitment to becoming more healthy and active, whether you actually want to walk a marathon or not. Registered walkers meet once a month for a sit down meeting of guest speakers who cover information about yoga for walkers, nutrition, hydration, clothes, shoes, and mental training techniques. There is a large group walking every Sunday. Beginning and intermediate mileage schedules are available. If you are interested, please contact Kay Porter at 342-6875 or email [kayporter1@comcast.net](mailto:kayporter1@comcast.net) , or go to [www.thementalathlete.com](http://www.thementalathlete.com) for more information on times and cost.

Walk With Me! Walk the World with Tyler Burgess, fitness walking instructor and marathon walking coach for the University of Oregon and Lane Community College in Eugene, Oregon. Tyler walks to see the world, whether it is a big city, foreign country or our own backyard. Free walking tours take place on Tuesday nights from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Meet at the end of High Street by the Campbell Senior Center. It is free, fun, and for beginners. For more information go to [www.walk-with-me.com](http://www.walk-with-me.com)

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